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Week 3 of the FCC mandated retuning of the MPSCS towers will start on Monday, November 4th, 2013.

The tower re-tuning task requires the individual MPSCS site to be disabled for a Service Window of approximately four hours while the following tasks are completed:

- Reprogram and aligned 800 MHz trunking stations
- Retune RF combining & distribution equipment
- Reprogram configurations within the Zone Controllers
- Testing of the site for technical compliance and operation
- Decommissioning of the Back-to-Back Mutual Aid station

During the re-tuning process, the site will be disabled to permit re-tuning of the equipment and avoid busies to the MPSCS user. To minimize the time of user impact, each site will have two technicians deployed to expedite the re-tuning work.

During the time a site is disabled, portable radio coverage will be reduced in the area served by the tower. Mobile radios will typically roam to an adjacent tower but it is still possible for the mobile radio to experience a reduction in coverage. If your control station at Dispatch is locked to a tower, you should unlock the radio and allow it to roam to an adjacent tower while the local tower is retuned. **No two adjacent sites will be re-banded at the same time.**

The new FCC mandated frequencies were programmed into your re-banded mobile and portable radios as part of the subscriber re-banding process. The old Mutual Aid frequencies were replaced in your radios as part of the re-banding process.

Every effort will be made to shorten the individual time required to re-tune the sites and complete the work effort for the MPSCS towers.

The MPSCS NCC may be contacted at (888) 554-4622 or (517) 333-5050 if you have a question regarding the operation of the MPSCS during this mandated FCC re-tuning project.

Week 3 sites to be re-tuned are:

Day	Date	Service Window	Site	Also Known As	County
Monday	11/4/2013	A.M	7407	Black River	Alcona
Monday	11/4/2013	A.M	7908	Sharon	Kalkaska
Monday	11/4/2013	A.M	8706	Bruce Crossing	Ontonagon
Monday	11/4/2013	A.M	8909	Vulcan	Menominee
Monday	11/4/2013	P.M.	7107	South Boardman	Grand Traverse
Monday	11/4/2013	P.M.	7405	Curran	Alpena
Monday	11/4/2013	P.M.	8608	Iron Mountain	Dickinson
Monday	11/4/2013	P.M.	8703	Greenland	Ontonagon

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Day	Date	Service Window	Site	Also Known As	County
Tuesday	11/5/2013	A.M	7105	Interlochen	Benzie
Tuesday	11/5/2013	A.M	7402	Alpena II	Alpena
Tuesday	11/5/2013	A.M	8107	Foster City	Dickinson
Tuesday	11/5/2013	A.M	8801	Donken	Houghton
Tuesday	11/5/2013	P.M.	7106	Beulah	Benzie
Tuesday	11/5/2013	P.M.	7207	Alpena	Presque Isle
Tuesday	11/5/2013	P.M.	8106	Rock	Marquette
Tuesday	11/5/2013	P.M.	9007	Houghton	Houghton
Wednesday	11/6/2013	A.M	7103	Empire	Leelanau
Wednesday	11/6/2013	A.M	7308	Atlanta II	Montmorency
Wednesday	11/6/2013	A.M	9006	Galloway	Houghton
Wednesday	11/6/2013	A.M	9101	Rumely	Alger
Wednesday	11/6/2013	P.M.	7101	Leland	Leelanau
Wednesday	11/6/2013	P.M.	7302	Gaylord	Otsego
Wednesday	11/6/2013	P.M.	9004	Eagle Harbor	Keweenaw
Wednesday	11/6/2013	P.M.	9102	Munising	Alger
Thursday	11/7/2013	A.M	7203	Wolverine	Cheboygan
Thursday	11/7/2013	A.M	7905	Rapid City	Kalkaska
Thursday	11/7/2013	A.M	9002	Gratiot Lake	Keweenaw
Thursday	11/7/2013	A.M	9104	Munising II	Alger
Thursday	11/7/2013	P.M.	7108	Traverse City	Leelanau
Thursday	11/7/2013	P.M.	7808	Vanderbilt	Charlevoix
Thursday	11/7/2013	P.M.	8201	Grand Marais	Alger
Thursday	11/7/2013	P.M.	9003	Copper Harbor	Keweenaw
Friday	11/8/2013	A.M	7209	Royston	Presque Isle
Friday	11/8/2013	A.M	7906	Deward	Kalkaska
Friday	11/8/2013	A.M	8802	Baraga	Baraga
Friday	11/8/2013	A.M	9106	Seney	Schoolcraft
Friday	11/8/2013	P.M.	7304	Atlanta	Montmorency
Friday	11/8/2013	P.M.	7904	Chestonia	Antrim
Friday	11/8/2013	P.M.	8203	Newberry	Luce
Friday	11/8/2013	P.M.	8807	Covington	Baraga

MPSCS Bulletins will be distributed weekly or bi-weekly with scheduled dates for re-tuning of the MPSCS towers.